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"AQUEOUS RESIN DISPERSION FOR FLOORS,
AND FLOOR POLISH USING SAME"

Your Case: JD-229 WO

Our Ref: J 1536 HO

Dear Renee,

We are pleased to enclose the **International Preliminary Examination Report** as mailed on 02.04.2004. As you will see this report is generally positive. The Examiner recognizes both novelty and inventive step of the subject matter of the claims under consideration.

The next stage of the prosecution of this PCT application is the required entry into the national/regional phases in the various designated states. We understand that you will be coordinating the necessary filings. We look forward however to receiving your further instructions concerning the European regional phase. Although theoretically it is possible to enter the European regional phase at 31 months after the priority claimed, we should appreciate receiving your instructions before the 30-month date, i.e. **January 29, 2005**.

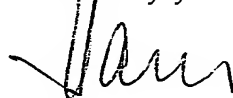
We look forward to hearing from you.

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